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1. The following [redacted] orders for uniform insignia which were placed with the Band und Posamentenfabrick in Brandenburg.<sup>1</sup> The orders were received from the Kasernierte Volkspolizei-See and Volkspolizei-Luft subdivisions of the Ministry of the Interior.<sup>2</sup> The Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen (BfW) was named as the source from which all materials may be obtained.
2. The total order for enlisted men's shoulder straps is as follows:
  - A. Raspberry Color: 50,000 pairs; 30,000 due by 30 September
  - B. Black : 70,000 pairs; 40,000 due by 30 September
  - C. Blue : 40,000 pairs; 25,000 due by 30 September
  - D. Yellow : No specific order
  - E. Dark Green : 25,00 pairs; 1500 due by 30 September
3. 17,000 facings for enlisted men's shoulder straps were ordered; 10,000 of these were to be delivered by 30 September<sup>3</sup>

1.  Comment: The firm could not be further identified from available reference material.
2.  Comment: The type and quantity of the material ordered suggests that the HVA should be included as one of the recipients of the goods.
3.  Comment: It is possible that the colors follow the Soviet military system.

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